

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 22, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 22, 2007. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1-43 are pending in the application. Claims 28-51 remain pending following entry of this response. Claims 1-27 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 28-36 have been amended. New claims 44-51 have been added to recite aspects of the invention. Applicants submit that amendments and the new claims do not introduce new matter.

Claims 1-43 stand restricted under 35 U.S.C. 121 as follows:

- Group I. Claims 1-13 drawn to information security: prevention of unauthorized use of data including prevention of piracy, privacy violations, or unauthorized data modification, access control, classified in class 726, subclass 27.
- Group II. Claims 14-19 drawn to electrical computers and digital processing systems: multi-computer data transferring, particularly computer-to-computer session connection establishing in network resources access controlling, classified in class 709, subclass 229.
- Group III. Claims 20-27 drawn to electrical computers and digital processing systems: multi-computer data transferring, particularly computer network managing in computer network access regulating, classified in class 709, subclass 225.
- Group IV. Claims 28-35 and 36-43 drawn to information security: prevention of unauthorized use of data including prevention of piracy, privacy violations, or unauthorized data modification, access control, classified in class 726, subclass 27.

The Examiner states that:

"The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Invention I, II, III and IV are related as subcombination disclosed as useable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are shown to be separately useable. In the

instant case, invention I has separate function such as receiving and validating code; invention II has separate function such as disabling on-demand resource; invention III has separate function such as claiming, by a logical partition function, on-demand resource; and invention IV has separate function such as recording compliant states and capacity management. See MPEP § 806.05(d)."

Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group IV (claims 28-43) for examination. New claims 44-51 recite corresponding features as claims 28-35 and are believed to be non-restrictable from the elected claims.

Having addressed all issues set out in the Restriction Requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted, and
S-signed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.4,

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